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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

March 23, H. PRINTZENBERG, German bark, 553, And. Schoneman, Rejang 15th February, Timber.—MELCHERS & Co.

March 24, YANGTSZE, British steamer, 784, C. Lee, Canton 23rd March, General.—SIEMSSEN & Co.

March 24, ALERT, American corvette, Commander Kempff, from Manila.

March 24, HWAI-YUEN, Chinese steamer, 984, Wilson, Shanghai 20th March, General.—C. M. S. N. Co.

March 24, ALDAY, British steamer, 366, H. Lightwood, Taiwanfoo 21st, Amoy 22nd, Swatow 23rd March, General.—DIRKS, LAPRAIK & Co.

March 24, CHINA, German steamer, 68, H. Schoer, Swatow 23rd March, General.—KWOK ACHEONG & SONS.

March 24, PALADIN, British steamer, 96, F. P. Aubin, Saigon 19th March, Rice.—TUNG KEE.

March 24, LAURA, German bark, 332, P. von Ehren, Bangkok 9th Feb., Rice and Timber.—ED. SCHELLHASS & Co.

March 24, RODERICK HAY, British bark, 290, P. H. Nicolson, Macassar 7th Feb., Ballast.—TURNER & Co.

March 24, IRAZU, British bark, 327, W. A. Pearce, Bangkok 17th Feb., General.—CHINESE.

March 24, ESPERANCE, French bark, 272, L. Norman, Whampoa 24th March, Ballast.—CARLOWITZ & Co.

March 24, PING-ON, British steamer, 575, McCaslin, Haiphong 19th, Pakhoi 21st, Hoihow 22nd and Macao 24th March, General.—RUSSELL & Co.

March 24, HORSPUR, British bark, 522, Jack, Labuan 1st March, General.—ORDER.

March 24, CHARITE, French bark, 299, Leroy, Chefoo 13th March, General.—CARLOWITZ & Co.

March 24, PERNAMBUCO, British steamer, 643, Evans, Saigon 18th March, Rice.—MELCHERS & Co.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.

MARCH 24TH.

Fleurs Castle, British str., for Shanghai.
Francisco, German bark, for Takao.
Hongkong, British str., for Saigon.
Olympia, German str., for Saigon.
Metapedia, British str., for Saigon.

DEPARTURES.

March 24, KANG-CHI, Chinese steamer, for Shanghai.
March 24, BLACKHALLS, British steamer, for Saigon.
March 24, THALES, British steamer, for East Coast.
March 24, PLAINMELLER, British steamer, for Singapore.
March 24, HWAI-YUEN, Chinese steamer, for Canton.
March 24, ALBATROSS, British gunboat, for a cruise.
March 24, METAPEDIA, British steamer, for San Francisco.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *H. Printzenberg*, from Rejang.—9 Chinese.

Per *Hwai-yuen*, str., from Shanghai.—Mr. Danby, and 91 Chinese.

Per *Paladin*, str., from Saigon.—15 Chinese.

Per *China*, str., from Swatow.—Messrs. Demee and Campbell.

Per *Alday*, str., from Taiwanfoo, &c.—Mr. and Mrs. Rae and 2 children, Mr. Liao Too Sang, and 62 Chinese deck.

Per *Pernambuco*, str., from Saigon.—Capt. William Hyde.

Per *Ping-on*, str., from Haiphong, &c.—Messrs. Davies, J. E. Johnston, and 12 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per *Agamemnon*, str., for London.—Miss M. Humby, Mrs. and Miss Caine, Mrs. Belyea, Mrs. Johnson, 2 children and amah, Mr. and Mrs. Sangster, Mr. and Mrs. Foley and 6 children.

For Singapore.—Mrs. G. Holmes.

Per *Blackhalls*, str., for Saigon.—12 Chinese.

Per *Mei-foo*, str., for Shanghai.—Mr. and Mrs. Braeegirdle and daughter, Mrs. Clements and child, Mr. F. H. Peters'n.

TO DEPART.

Per *Metapedia*, str., for San Francisco.—904 Chinese.

Per *Olympia*, str., for Saigon.—100 Chinese.

REPORTS.

The German steamer *China* reports moderate N.E. breeze and hazy weather to port.

The American corvette *Alert* reports very fresh N.E. monsoon on the 22nd and 23rd March, light variable winds previously.

The British steamer *Pernambuco* reports 1st part calms and light Southerly winds to Paracels; from thence had strong N.E. to arrival.

The British steamer *Paladin* reports first part of the passage had pleasant breeze and clear sky, winds from South to West. Latter part strong N.E. wind and high sea up to land.

The Chinese steamer *Hwai-yuen* reports left Shanghai at 10 a.m., 20th; anchored at 7 p.m. same day; off Gutzlaff had dense fog and rain, weighed at 5 a.m., 19th; arrived at Hongkong at 6 a.m., 24th, had moderate Northerly and N.E. winds and cloudy weather.

The British bark *Irene* reports from Bangkok to Pulo Way had variable winds; thence to Natunas had strong E.N.E. gale; thence to Ladd's Reef had strong N.E. winds. From Ladd's Reef to North Danger had strong N.N.E. winds and very heavy sea; thence to port had variable winds.

The British steamer *Alday* reports from Taiwanfoo to Amoy had strong N.E. gale and heavy sea. From Amoy to Swatow had fine, moderate N.E. wind and hazy weather. From Swatow to Hongkong had light and fine N.E. winds and hazy weather; arrived at 10 a.m. In Swatow strs. *Glencaples*, *See Wo*, and *Lee Wan*.

The British steamer *Ping-on* reports left Haiphong on March 19th at 5 p.m., Pakhoi 21st at 2 a.m., Hoihow 22nd at 3 a.m., Macao 24th at noon. Arrived in Hongkong at 4 p.m., same day. From Haiphong to Pakhoi and Hoihow had light variable winds with foggy weather; from Hoihow had strong N.E. wind with heavy sea and thick hazy weather to port.

The British bark *Roderick Hay* reports light winds and calms to Pelew Islands; thence to Bashee Islands had strong N.N.E. winds and high cross sea; at Bashee Islands got strong W.S.W. winds which suddenly chopped to the N.E. blowing a gale; stood over towards the China Coast under close reefed topsails and high cross sea until 23rd when she approached, the weather moderated at noon.

VESSELS ARRIVED IN EUROPE FROM PORTS IN CHINA, JAPAN, AND MANILA.
(Per last Mail's Advice).

Invincible	Hongkong	Feb. 3
Highflyer	Manila	Feb. 5
Bonito	Hongkong	Feb. 6
India	Foochow	Feb. 7
Gwalior	Shanghai	Feb. 8

AUCTION SALES TO-DAY.

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BANKS.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.
(INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER).

PAID-UP CAPITAL..... £1,500,000.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.
At 3 Months' Notice, 3 per Cent. per Annum.
At 6 Months' Notice, 4 per Cent. per Annum.
At 12 Months' Notice, 5 per Cent. per Annum.
Current Accounts kept on Terms which may be learnt on application.

GEO. O. SCOTT, Manager.

Oriental Bank Corporation,
Hongkong, 4th September, 1879. [11

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....5,000,000 of Dollars.
RESERVE FUND .....2,100,000 of Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS:—
Chairman—H. L. DALRYMPLE, Esq.
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Hon. F. B. Johnson. M. E. Sassoon, Esq.
P. McEwen, Esq. W. S. Young, Esq.
McIver, Esq. C. Vincent Smith, Esq.

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Hongkong—THOMAS JACKSON, Esq., MANAGER.
Shanghai—EWEN CAMERON, Esq.
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For 3 months 3 per Cent. per Annum.
For 6 months 4 per Cent. per Annum.
For 12 months 5 per Cent. per Annum.
LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.
CREDITS granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.
DRAFTS issued on London, and the chief commercial cities in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East,
Hongkong, 22nd March, 1882.

COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS.
Incorporated 7th March, 1848.
Recognised by the International Convention of 30th April, 1862.

CAPITAL FULLY PAID-UP..... £3,200,000.
RESERVE FUND..... £800,000.

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AGENCIES AND BRANCHES AT:
LONDON, BOMBAY, SAN FRANCISCO,
MARSEILLES, CALCUTTA, HONGKONG,
LYONS, SHANGHAI, HANKOW,
NANTES, MELBOURNE, FOOCHOW,
BOURBON, SYDNEY, YOKOHAMA.

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THE BANK OF ENGLAND.
THE UNION BANK OF LONDON.
Messrs. C. J. HAMBRO & SON.

The Honkgong Agency receives Fixed Deposits on Terms to be ascertained on application. Grants Drafts and Credits on all parts of the world, and transacts every description of Banking Exchange Business.

F. COCHINARD,
Agent, Hongkong.

9th February, 1882.

NOTICE.

In the matter of the Estate of CAMILLO LELIS DE SOUZA, Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that all Creditors and other Persons having any CLAIMS or DEMANDS upon or against the ESTATE of CAMILLO LELIS DE SOUZA, late of Macao, Merchant, who died at Macao aforesaid on the 13th day of January, 1882, intestate and Letters of Administration of whose personal Estate were duly granted to POMPILIO SIMEAO DA ROZA, of Canton, in the Empire of China, Mercantile Assistant, the Great Nephew of the said deceased, by the Supreme Court of Hongkong in its Probate Jurisdiction on the 13th day of February, 1882, are hereby required to send in Writing the Particulars of their Claims or Demands to the Undersigned, on or before the 31st day of March, 1882.

And Notice is hereby also given that at the expiration of the said last mentioned day, the said POMPILIO SIMEAO DA ROZA will proceed to distribute the Assets of the said CAMILLO LELIS DE SOUZA amongst the Parties entitled thereto, having regard to the Claims of which notice shall then have been given, and that the said POMPILIO SIMEAO DA ROZA will not be liable for the Assets or any part thereof so distributed to any person of whose claim the said POMPILIO SIMEAO DA ROZA has not had notice at the time of the distribution.

Dated this 1st day of March, 1882.

SHARP, TOLLER & JOHNSON,
Solicitors,
Supreme Court House,
418] Hongkong.

NOTICE.

In the matter of the estate of ELIAS DAVID SASSOON, late of Bombay, Merchant, Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that all Creditors and other Persons having any CLAIMS or DEMANDS upon or against the Estate of ELIAS DAVID SASSOON, late of Bombay, Merchant, deceased, who died at Bombay aforesaid on the 22nd day of March, 1880, and whose Will was duly proved in the Supreme Court of Hongkong in its Probate Jurisdiction on the 13th day of March, 1882, by MEYER ELIAS SASSOON as attorney for JACOB ELIAS SASSOON, EDWARD ELIAS SASSOON and SASSOON JACOB DAVID the Executors named in the said Will, are hereby required to send in Writing the Particulars of their Claims or Demands to the said MEYER ELIAS SASSOON, No. 9, Queen's Road, Victoria, Hongkong, or to Messrs. BRERETON and WOTTON, at their Office, 29, Queen's Road, Victoria, aforesaid, on or before the 15th day of June, 1882.

And Notice is hereby also given that, at the expiration of the last mentioned day the said MEYER ELIAS SASSOON will proceed to distribute the Assets of the said Estate amongst the Parties entitled thereto having regard to the Claims of which the said MEYER ELIAS SASSOON or the said Messrs. BRERETON and WOTTON shall then have had notice and that the said MEYER ELIAS SASSOON will not be liable for the Assets or any part thereof, so distributed to any Person of whose Claim he shall not have had notice at the time of distribution.

Dated this 15th day of March, 1882.

BRERETON & WOTTON,
Solicitors, &c.,
519] 29, Queen's Road, Hongkong.

FOR SALE.

A SHOULDER DUCK GUN—Double Ten Bore. Rebounding Locks Central Fire.
X. Y. Z. Care of *Daily Press* Office.
Hongkong, 14th March, 1882. [509

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned has all kinds of HOUSE and SHIP COAL for sale in large and small quantities. Also several Strong and Commodious SMALL STEAMERS on hire for towing purposes, excursions, &c., &c., at extremely moderate rates. Apply to

HING LEE, 37, Tung Mun Lane,
Hongkong, 4th March, 1882. [435

JOHN BAZLEY WHITE & BROTHER'S PORTLAND CEMENT.
SOLE AGENTS FOR CHINA,
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, 14th December, 1881. [499

NOTICES OF FIRMS.

CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ON and after this date the Undersigned resumes his duties as SECRETARY of the Company.

By Order of the Directors,
JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 20th March, 1882. [545

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of Mr. CHS. J. GAUPP, Jr., Mr. LOUIS GAUPP, and Mr. HERMANN GAUPP in our Firm CEASED from the 1st March, 1882.

Our Firm consists now of Mr. JULES KEISER and Mr. CARL HEERMANN.

CHS. J. GAUPP & Co.
Hongkong, 17th March, 1882. [531

NOTICE

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of Mr. GUSTAV NISSLE in our Firm CEASED on the 31st December last, and Mr. BRUNO ROEVER has this day been admitted a partner.

Mr. GEORG NIEDERBERGER and Mr. EMIL SALTZKORN cease to be active partners in our Firm, but they are from this day interested in the same as Commanditaires.

BEHRE & Co.
Saigon and Cholon, 1st January, 1882. [495

NOTICE.

MR. ARTHUR CHART was admitted a Partner in our Firm from 1st January last, which will in future be carried on under the style of FENWICK, CHART & Co.

FENWICK, MORRISON & Co.
Hongkong, 4th March, 1882. [436

NOTICE.

WE have been appointed Agents for the MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA, of TOKIO, at this Port.

GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1882. [272

NOTICE.

MR. FREDERICK DEBLOIS BUSH is admitted a Partner in our Firm from this date, and Mr. GEORGE H. WHEELER is authorized to sign our name.

RUSSELL & Co.
China, 1st January, 1882. [101

NOTICE.

MR. MOLEDINA VEERJEE is authorized to Manage my Business and sign my name from this day.

REHEMOOBHOY HABIBBHOY.
Hongkong, 21st March, 1882. [553

TO BE LET.

TO LET.

OFFICES, in No. 13, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.
"No. 4, SEYMOUR TERRACE."
"No. 9, SEYMOUR TERRACE."
Apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.
Hongkong, 17th March, 1882. [34

TO LET FURNISHED.

THE well known BUNGALOW with Garden, &c., on Mount Kellett, the property of Mr. T. C. HAYLLAR, Q.C. Can be inspected at any time on application to the Watchman.

Apply to
R. G. ALFORD,
Surveyor, &c., &c.
Queen's Road.
Hongkong, 14th March, 1882. [508

TO LET.

THE BUNGALOW No. 18, ELGIN STREET. Possession on 1st April.

Apply to
LINSTEAD & DAVIS.
Hongkong, 9th March, 1882. [471

TO BE LET.

With Possession on 1st June Next.
THE HOUSE No. 1, Albany.—8 Rooms and Servants' Offices, Garden and Stabling. Gas and Water laid on.

Apply to
LINSTEAD & DAVIS.
Hongkong, 4th February, 1882. [287

TO LET.

THE PREMISES Nos. 45, and 47 QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, lately in occupation of Messrs. Dirks, Lapraik & Co. and E. Cassumbhoy, adjoining Messrs. P. McEwen, Frickel & Co.'s.

Immediate Possession.

Apply to
LINSTEAD & DAVIS.
Hongkong, 1st November, 1881. [36

GRANITE GODOWNS TO LET.

Apply to
Messrs. SHARP & Co.
Hongkong, 7th March, 1882. [459

TO BE

ROOMS in CLUB CHAMBERS.

Apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, 1st February, 1882. [37

HONGKONG WHARF GODOWNS.

Goods received on STORAGE at Moderate Rates, in First-class Godowns.

Also
Entire GODOWNS to be LET.
Apply to
MEYER & Co.
Hongkong, 3rd March, 1881. [924

TO LET.

GODOWNS and STORAGE, Canal, Waterside, with new landing stage.
Also, 6 Small GRANITE GODOWNS at Basement of Temperance Hall.

SHARP, TOLLER, AND JOHNSON.
Hongkong, 16th September, 1881. [35

THE CHUNG NGOI SAN PO
(Chinese *Daily Press*),
PUBLISHED DAILY,
Is the best medium for Advertising among the Native Community.

It has been established upwards of TWENTY YEARS, and enjoys the largest *bonâ fide* circulation of any Chinese paper in the Southern China. It is carefully edited by an experienced Chinese Scholar, and contains FULL and RELIABLE COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

Terms for Advertising can be obtained at the Office, Wyndham Street, Hongkong; or from the different Agents.

Hongkong, 16th January, 1877

A FONG,
PHOTOGRAPHER,
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IVORY MINIATURES of superior excellence and high finish, painted by native artists under careful supervision, from $7.

D. K. GRIFFITH holds authority to SIGN.
STUDIO, QUEEN'S ROAD,
Nearly opposite the Hongkong Hotel. [59

NOW ON SALE.

BOUND VOLUMES of the *China Overland Trade Report* for the Year 1881.
PRICE TEN DOLLARS.
Apply at the *Daily Press* Office.
Hongkong, January, 1882.

AUCTIONS.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

MONDAY,
the 27th March, 1882, at 2 P.M., at his Sales Rooms, Queen's Road,
SUNDRY
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c.,
Comprising:—
DRAWING, DINING, and BEDROOMS FURNITURE, TABLES, CHAIRS, COUCHES, WARDROBES, CHEST of DRAWERS, WHATNOTS, SIDEBOARD, DINNER, DESSERT, and BREAKFAST SETS, GLASS WARE and PLATED WARE, &c., &c., &c.

TERMS OF SALE—As customary.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 25th March, 1882. [577

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

TUESDAY,
the 28th March, 1882, at 2 P.M., at No. 51, Wyndham Street, the
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c., belonging to the Estate of the late Mr. E. CHASTEL.

Comprising:—
One English-made MAHOGANY MAROON VELVET COVERED DRAWING ROOM SUITE.
English-made MAHOGANY CENTRE TABLE, CHIMNEY GLASSES, OLEOGRAPHS, GASALIERS, GAS BRACKETS, CARPETS and HEARTH RUGS.
DINING TABLE, SIDEBOARD, WHATNOTS, DINNER SET, GLASS and PLATED WARE.
One CRETONNE COVERED BEDROOM SUITE.
One MANILA HARDWOOD DOUBLE BEDSTEAD, WARDROBES, TOILET TABLE and GLASS and WASHSTAND, TEAK WOOD GLASS BOOKCASE and WRITING TABLE, English MAHOGANY Double-winged WARDROBE, with Plate Glass Door.
One COOKING RANGE, &c., &c., &c.

Catalogues will be issued, and the whole to be on view on and after Monday, the 27th instant.

TERMS OF SALE.—As Customary.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 23rd March, 1882. [565

PUBLIC AUCTION.

MR. J. M. ARMSTRONG has received instructions from the MORTGAGEE to sell by Public Auction, on

FRIDAY,
the 31st March, 1882, at 2.30 O'CLOCK P.M., at the Premises,
A VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY,
Situate in Bonham Strand, Victoria, Hongkong.
Comprising:—
All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND situate lying and being at Victoria, in the Island of Hongkong, abutting on the North side thereof on Bonham Strand, and measuring thereon 11 feet on the South side thereof on a portion of Marine Lot No. 140, and measuring thereon 11 feet on the East side thereof partly on Section A and partly on other portion of the said Lot and measuring thereon 25 feet and 13 feet 6 inches respectively and on the West side thereof on other portion of the said Lot and measuring thereon 38 feet be the said measurements respectively little more or less which said Piece or Parcel of GROUND is registered in the Land Office as Section B of Marine Lot No. 140, with the messuage or tenement thereon being number 36, in Bonham Strand, as the same Piece or Parcel of GROUND and PREMISES are held under a Crown Lease of the whole of the said Marine Lot No. 140, dated the 18th June, 1862, for the residue of a term of 932 years at the apportioned yearly rent of $12 and subject to the covenants and conditions in the said lease reserved and contained so far as they relate to the said Premises.

Also all that Piece or Parcel of GROUND situate lying and being at Victoria, in the Island of Hongkong, abutting on the North side thereof on Bonham Strand and measuring thereon 30 feet 6 inches, on the South side thereof on other portion of the said Marine Lot No. 140, and measuring thereon 30 feet on the East side thereof on other portion of the said Lot and measuring thereon 117 feet 9 inches and on the West side thereof on Marine Lot No. 175, and measuring thereon 108 feet 6 inches be the said measurements respectively little more or less which said Piece or Parcel of GROUND is registered in the Land Office as Section C of Marine Lot No. 140, with the messuages or tenements thereon being numbers 36A and 36B in Bonham Strand, as the said last mentioned Piece or Parcel of GROUND and PREMISES are held under the said Crown Lease of the 18th June, 1862, for the residue of the said term of 931 years at the apportioned yearly rent of $12 and subject to the covenants and conditions in the said lease reserved and contained so far as they relate to the said Premises.

For Further Particulars of the Property and Conditions of Sale, apply to

BRERETON & WOTTON,
Solicitors for the Mortgagee,
29, Queen's Road, Hongkong,
or to
J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer,
Hongkong.
Hongkong, 9th March, 1882. [478

PUBLIC AUCTION.

MR. J. M. ARMSTRONG has received instructions from the Proprietors to sell by Public Auction, on

WEDNESDAY,
the 12th day of April, 1882, at 3 O'CLOCK P.M., at the Premises,
VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY,
Situate between the Praya and Wing Lok Street,
Comprising:—
All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND situate lying and being at Victoria, in the Island of Hongkong, abutting on the North side thereof on the Praya and measuring thereon [illegible] feet, on the South side thereof on a Public Road and measuring thereon 14 feet, on the East side thereof on a close registered in the Land Office as Marine Lot No. 59, and measuring thereon 100 feet, and on the West side thereof on a close registered in the Land Office as Marine Lot No. 61, and measuring thereon 100 feet, which said Piece or Parcel of GROUND contains in the whole 1,400 square feet and is registered in the Land Office as MARINE LOT No. 60, held under a Crown Lease dated the 25th day of June, 1867, from the 26th day of December, 1866, for the term of 999 years, at the yearly Crown Rent of $34.68 and subject to the covenants and conditions in the said lease reserved and contained.

For Further Particulars of the Property and Conditions of Sale, apply to

BRERETON & WOTTON,
Solicitors,
29, Queen's Road, Hongkong;
or to
J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer,
Hongkong.
Hongkong, 22nd March, 1882. [560

AUCTIONS.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from the OFFICIAL ASSIGNEE, to Sell by Public Auction, on

THURSDAY,
the 30th March, 1882, at 2 P.M., at the Residence of Messrs. VOGEL & Co.
THE WHOLE OF THE
HOUSEHOLD AND OFFICE FURNITURE, &c.,
belonging to Messrs. VOGEL & Co., Bankrupts.
Comprising:—
CRETONNE COVERED DRAWING ROOM SUITE.
ENGRAVINGS, CHIMNEY GLASS, GASALIERS and GAS BRACKETS, WHATNOTS, CROCKERY, GLASS and PLATED WARE.
DOUBLE and SINGLE BEDSTEADS, WARDROBES, Double-winged WARDROBES, CHEST OF DRAWERS, TOILET TABLE, with Glass, Marble Top, WASHSTANDS.
OFFICE DESKS, BOOKSHELVES, COPYING PRESS, TABLES, &c.
2 IRON SAFES.
1 do. CHEST.
1 PIANO, by M. F. RACHALS & Co.
&c., &c., &c.

Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS.—As customary.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 25th March, 1882. [575

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

FRIDAY,
the 31st day of March, 1882, at Noon, at the Marine House, Queen's Road,
Under a Bill of Sale.
The whole STOCK-IN-TRADE, FURNITURE, FIXTURE &c., of the late E. CHASTEL, Deceased.
Comprising:—
One Soda Water MACHINE.
Patent Soda Water BOTTLES.
CLARET of Different Brands.
CHAMPAGNE do. do.
PORT, SHERRY, WHISKEY, MARASQUINO, CURACOA, CHARTREUSE, PRESERVED FRUITS in bottles, &c., &c.
Letter Note and Printing PAPER, &c., &c., &c.
to be sold in lots to suit Purchasers.
Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS OF SALE—As customary.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 25th March, 1882. [576

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GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.
Hongkong, 24th March, 1882. [570

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CHS. H. HASWELL, Jr.,
Agent.
Hongkong, 22nd March, 1882. [560

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Hongkong, 22nd March, 1882. [543

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Hongkong, 21st March, 1882. [498

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Hongkong, 21st March, 1882. [498

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D. SAYLE,
Attorney for the said
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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, MARCH 25TH, 1882.

THE HON. F. B. JOHNSON deserves the thanks of the British and foreign community for his exposure on Wednesday of the fallacy of the deductions made by the GOVERNOR from the list of twenty ratepayers recently published in the *Government Gazette*. The list was compiled and published with the purpose, scarcely concealed, of trying to show that the stake held by British and foreign subjects in this Colony was small compared with that held by the Chinese. Now it must be a source of satisfaction to all British residents and to the British Government to find that the Chinese are eager to invest capital in the Colony, and that they are prospering here, because such a state of affairs shows that Hongkong is flourishing. We failed, however, at the time, to see what good or useful purpose could possibly be served by the publication of the list in question, and though we had no figures available to confute the GOVERNOR's comparisons, we felt convinced they were unsound. That most of the property held by Chinese, and for which they paid the rates, was mortgaged we suggested at the time, and the value of the list as giving any reliable indication of the relative interests of British and foreign residents and Chinese in the Colony was strongly questioned. Mr. ALFORD's investigations, the result of which was stated by Mr. JOHNSON, set all doubts at rest; the list is not worth the paper on which it is printed for any purpose, and the attempt of Governor HENNESSY to make political capital out of it has failed miserably.

Mr. JOHNSON also made a strong point when he instanced the case of a wealthy corporation, like the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank—which, with a capital and reserve of $7,000,000, pays but a few hundred dollars in rates and rent—as showing how unreliable mere rate-paying is as a test of the extent of various interests in the Colony. The argument is, indeed, supported by the cases of all the local companies. There are the various Insurance Companies, the Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Company, and other commercial associations, none of which figure as large rate-payers, but which individually and in the aggregate represent a vast amount of wealth, for the most part owned by the British and foreign residents.

The fact, too, that the Chinese here are Chinese and not British subjects is one that should not be lost sight of. In his despatch to the Earl of KIMBERLEY, in his speeches, and on every conceivable occasion, Sir JOHN POPE HENNESSY has spoken of "the Chinese subjects of Her Majesty," meaning, apparently, the whole of the Chinese community, whereas as a matter of fact the Chinese subjects of Her Majesty in this Colony are very small in number as compared with the whole population. Some half-dozen or so have been naturalised recently by special Ordinances passed by the Legislative Council, there are some few Straits-born Chinese who claim to be British subjects, and of those who have been born in the Colony there may be a few who claim nationality on that ground, but the vast majority are Chinese subjects in every sense of the word. In the spring they flock out of the Colony to observe the ancestral rites at the various villages from which they hail; they keep their wives and families there, contenting themselves for the most part with concubines in Hongkong; and when they die their remains are frequently taken to the mainland for interment. There has of late years been a growing attachment on the part of the Chinese to Hongkong, some of them are very gradually beginning to look upon it as their home, and foreign institutions command more respect than formerly; but while noting this with pleasure, it is impossible to conceal the fact that the vast bulk of the Chinese population look upon Hongkong as foreign territory to which they resort for commercial purposes with the ever present intention of leaving it as soon as they shall have amassed what they consider a competency. To speak of such men as "the Chinese subjects of Her Majesty" is simply a perversion of fact.

The attempt which has been continued during the last few years to set race against race is on every ground regrettable. The good feeling between the British residents and the Chinese was too firmly established to allow of much result attending Governor HENNESSY's efforts in that direction, but it must be confessed that his misrepresentation to the Chinese of the sentiments entertained towards them by the English has produced some slight feeling of estrangement, which, as we have said, is regrettable, because it retards the growth of a mutual understanding and respect which had been so marked previously. Time, however, will mend matters, and in the meantime the most enlightened men on both sides recognise that the prosperity of the one means the prosperity of the other. The more Chinese prosper, the more nearly they assimilate to Europeans in their habits and modes of thought, the greater will be the growth of European trade with the Far East, and if at some points they should trench on trade which foreigners have been accustomed to look upon as entirely their own, we may rest assured that their doing so gives rise to a further development of demand for British goods, creating new opportunities for the employment of foreign enterprise, skill, and capital. The more advanced amongst the Chinese, on the other hand, are coming more and more to realise the benefit which foreign trade brings to their country and to recognise that for the wealth acquired by foreigners in China those foreigners leave a full equivalent behind.

H.M. screw-sloop *Albatross*, Commander Errington, left here yesterday for a cruise.

The American corvette *Alert*, Commander Kempff, arrived here yesterday morning from Manila.

The German barque *Adele* arrived at San Francisco on the 13th ultimo, 50 days out from Hongkong.

The Agents (Messrs. Siemssen & Co.) inform us that the P. D. R. steamer *Massalia*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port yesterday.

The Messageries Maritimes steamer *Saghalien*, with the next outward French mail, left Saigon for Hongkong at 4 a.m., and passed Cape St. James at 9.15 a.m. yesterday.

The Italian Opera Company will give their fifth performance at the Theatre Royal, City Hall, this evening, when Verdi's fine opera "Un Ballo in Maschera" will be produced.

We are informed by the Agents (Messrs. Butterfield and Swire) that the Ocean Steamship Company's steamer *Oceana*, from Liverpool, left Singapore for this port and Shanghai yesterday afternoon.

Yesterday afternoon His Excellency the Administrator held a garden party at Government House, which was numerously attended. Lawn tennis and subsequently dancing were the amusements provided.

A *matinée* performance was given yesterday in the Theatre Royal, City Hall, by Professor Buchwaldy and family. There was a moderate attendance. The programme, of a very varied character, was creditably gone through.

Manila has now been included in the Meteorological Register published in another column, (received from the Harbour Master), and adds considerably to the value of the record. The public is indebted for this boon to the Eastern Extension, Australasia, and China Telegraph Company, who transmit the daily message free of charge.

Referring to the appointment of Mr. John Russell Young as United States Minister to Peking (telegraphic announcement of which we have already reproduced from the *Alta Californian*) the *N. C. Daily News* says:—"This news is, to say the least of it, unexpected; it having been generally understood that Mr. Denny would have had the post, having been given to understand as much by General Grant. During the residence of Mr. Denny at Tientsin as Consul, the Viceroy made no secret of his confidence in him as an able and friendly officer, and went so far as to signify his desire to General Grant, both by letter and telegram, that he should receive the appointment at Peking. The present news, therefore, is not likely to be very agreeable to His Excellency. Mr. Young, we hear, is a Roman Catholic."

The Nagasaki *Rising Sun* says that the Inter-Oceanic Steam Yacht Co.'s yacht *Ceylon* arrived at that port from Hongkong at 9 a.m. on the 10th inst., after an unusually rough passage against a strong head wind and sea. She left Hongkong on the 2nd inst., and her appearance had been almost hourly looked for since the 6th inst. The passengers, thirty-six in number, came ashore shortly after the anchor was down, and commenced making the best of their visit to the first port in Japan. The *Ceylon* left Nagasaki at midnight on the 11th inst. for Kobe, viâ the Inland Sea.

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LONDON, 23rd March.

IMPENDING POLITICAL CRISIS IN EGYPT.

A Ministerial Crisis is considered imminent in Egypt. Arabi Bey is named as probable premier.

FIGHTING IN THE TRANSVAAL.—DEFEATS OF THE BOERS.

There is continual fighting in the South West of the Transvaal and the natives have thrice defeated the Boers.

THE CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

The annual meeting of the Chinese Insurance Company was held at the Company's Office, Queen's-road, yesterday afternoon. There were present—Messrs. W. Reiners (chairman), T. G. Williamson, G. C. Scott, Lee Tak Cheong, Fung Tung (directors), M. B. Polishwalla, V. C. Roche, H. Foss, J. Y. V. Vernon, D. McCulloch, J. T. Chater, A. E. Voucher, E. George, W. Legge, A. O'D. Gourdin, Meng Kee, Wy Sing, Fook Yuen Long, Wo Hang, Lee Sing, Lee Kar, Tam Pan, Lee Yong, See Chee Nam, Pow Chow, Poon Sai Tin, and D. McLaurin (acting secretary).

The CHAIRMAN said—Gentlemen, the report for the past year has been in your hands for some days and with your permission I will take it as read. The directors much regret not to be able to place a more favourable report before you. As you well know, the past year was one of many disasters in the China Sea, and the Company, as was to be expected, seeing a large portion of its business is confined to this particular quarter, suffered to a considerable extent. And then again, shipping disasters on the coast of India have been unusually severe, in several of which the Company was unfortunate enough to be interested. The falling off in the net receipt of premia as compared with that of the previous year is in a great measure accounted for by the reduced tariff of rates of premia in respect of local risks, which has been in force since the commencement of 1881, brought about by keen competition in this business. Gentlemen, it is my duty to supplement the report now in your hands, by a few remarks. You will observe that the amount carried forward is very small and will not cover the losses which have had to be met since the beginning of this year. We are sorry to say some heavy claims have fallen upon us which will have to be provided for in this year's accounts. They amount in all to something over $50,000, and have to a great extent already been paid out of this year's receipts. Several salvage claims are now pending, and the directors confidently expect a fair return in respect of same in due course, which will reduce the losses somewhat, besides which an insurance company has brought an action against a lighterman for loss of goods by fire on the 8th February, 1881, whilst on board his barges in Victoria Dock, London, and should the decision be given against the lighterman we may recover something like $10,000 lost by the same disaster. I am glad to say the Company is doing well since the commencement of this year, and every effort is being made to extend the field of operations in such directions as will lead to as safe and remunerative risks as possible. I am happy also to say that the prospects of business in first class risks from Hankow and the North generally for this season promise well. London risks are now confined to business with India, the Straits, China, and Japan only, and the heavy losses that during the past two years resulted from risks in other directions will not occur again. With these remarks I move the report and accounts be passed, but before doing so I shall be very glad to answer any questions.

Mr. FOSS—I see nothing in the report about the balance of about $42,000 brought forward last year. Are we to understand all that has been lost except the $7,000 carried to suspense account?

The CHAIRMAN—Yes; it has been lost.

Mr. FOSS—There is an amount at suspense account. I understand that is the balance of $42,000.

The CHAIRMAN—Yes. I have a list of the losses. Those losses are included in the $150,000.

Mr. FOSS—I think they cannot be included in that. They must be included in the suspense account.

The CHAIRMAN—Yes; the losses were written into the suspense account.

Mr. FOSS—The profits were written into the suspense account first, and the losses afterwards?

The CHAIRMAN—Yes.

Mr. FOSS—Would it not be advisable to give the account of the working for the year? $42,000 were carried forward and there is no account of it.

The CHAIRMAN—Yes; I think it is very good advice, and we shall follow it in future.

No other questions being put, the CHAIRMAN moved the adoption of the report, which was seconded by Mr. MCCULLOCH, and carried unanimously.

Mr. SCOTT proposed the re-election of the Hon. E. R. Belilios and Mr. Williamson as directors.

Mr. FUNG TANG seconded.

Mr. Foss asked if Mr. Belilios was coming back again.

The CHAIRMAN said Mr. Belilios was coming back, only he had got leave of absence for four months.

The motion was then put and carried.

On the motion of Mr. WILLIAMSON, seconded by Mr. CHATER, Messrs. H. Smith and L. Haushild, were re-elected auditors.

The CHAIRMAN—That is all the business before us to-day. I thank you very much for your kind attendance.

Mr. FOSS—I wish to call attention to one of the articles of association. Article 77, clause 7, says—"If in the opinion of the board the business of the Company in any year be such as not to warrant the payment of interest at the rate of $12 per cent. per annum on the paid up capital it may during such year reduce such rate to such lower amount as it may consider desirable for the interests of the company." I think that under the present constitution of the company you pay the interest before you actually know what the outcome of the year will be. The interest is payable on the 31st December and the 30th June, and the accounts are handed to the shareholders some three months afterwards. Would it not be desirable to pay the interest at a time after the board meeting?—it is done so in all other companies—and then the directors would see whether they could pay 12 per cent. Now you pay 12 per cent. without knowing whether you have earned it. That would require an alteration of the articles of association, of course. I think it is a subject worthy the consideration of the directors, because you may actually be borrowing money to pay the dividend when you have not earned it. There are many of the shareholders who would agree with me in saying they would rather receive a smaller rate of interest if you thought it necessary.

The CHAIRMAN—The directors will take the matter into consideration, and I am sure we will do just what the shareholders expect.

On the motion of Mr. MCCULLOCH, seconded by Mr. VERNON, a vote of thanks was accorded to the Chairman.

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ORIENTAL PLANT-LORE.

II.

Let us devote a few more moments to Burmah. Everywhere some plant is considered auspicious at New Year. The Chinese have their *Mou-tan*, their *Shih sin fâ* and their *Tâ chung fâ*; the Norseman has his magic mistletoe with which Balder was slain, a plant held sacred by ancient Druid and Persian; the Greek had his olive branch and the Englishman his ivy and holly. And in Burmah the New Year is not behind in its boast of the possession of a plant of good omen. The stranger's eye, as it wanders over Burmese foliage for the first time, is readily attracted by the *Mesua* (of which more in our next paper), or the Gungau, as the natives call it. This tree "possesses in a peculiar degree the property, when changing its foliage, of throwing out fresh shoots, forming a perfect blaze of young crimson leaves. This takes place prior to the decay of the old leaves, which still remain vividly green, and while the tree, too, is in full flower. The blossom has beautiful ivory white petals, with deep golden-coloured stamens, and the whole taken together has a most remarkable effect." Such a tree, regarded by the Hindûs also with peculiar feelings, may well occupy a prominent place in the native estimation. The flowers of this tree, then, are presented by the Burmese to each other as New Year's gifts, accompanied with wishes for "a happy New Year." In countries where the medical profession has scarcely risen above quackery, magic, or herbalism, plants are often regarded with superstitious reverence, and many are the curious directions given by the old wives as to the proper hour, day or phase of the moon for procuring this herb and that in order to gain its full efficacy. In Burmah, while the use of mercury, and other remedies is not unknown, medical prescriptions are largely confined to such things as chillies, nutmegs, cardamums and other aromatic and pungent ingredients, barks and roots. The virtue of the latter especially is supposed to depend largely on the periods when they are gathered, such as the time of an eclipse, or the changes of the moon. We do not wonder at this, when even our own English folk-medicine reveals a similarly rudimentary state of knowledge, happily now fast dying out, and giving place to something more consistent with our advanced state. Forbes remarks of them that "they possess a certain empirical knowledge of the virtues of sundry herbs and drugs, but are always ready to fancy some latent quality in any new substance, or curious looking stone or root, they may chance to get hold of." I am reserving remarks on the use of the betel for a future paper, but must here call attention to another article which is indispensable in all Burmese ceremonies. To omit the presentation of *Hla-pêt* or *Let-pet* at a birth, wedding, funeral or other great occasion would be an unpardonable offence. And what is this? It is what may be called pickled tea, and is imported chiefly from the Shan States bordering on China. "It is made up into balls of different sizes, by means of a glutinous substance, which unites the leaves together without injuring their qualities." Sometimes it would seem to be very similar to the famous brick-tea so much used in Mongolia and Russia, made in the form of small pressed cakes; while at other times it is packed in hollow bamboos about three feet in length, the ends being stopped up with clay. This latter kind comes chiefly from the Kubo Valley, on the borders of Munipûr (Fytche). The Burmese serve up the tea with sesamum oil, garlic, and assafœtida, and when prepared in this manner it is regarded as a great delicacy, and a good promoter of digestion. Thus at the ceremony of naming a child or boring its ears a time of great rejoicing is observed, and the friends and relatives are bidden, not by means of cards or notes, but by means of small comical packets of this pickled tea, sent round to each family or person whose attendance is desired. In like manner at a wedding the bride and bridegroom eat together from the same dish before the assembled guests; the bridegroom presents the bride with a drink of *hla-pet* (or *let-phet* as it is also spelt), the compliment is returned, and the ceremony practically brought to a close. This custom of drinking together reminds us forcibly of the old established ceremony observed under similar circumstances by the Chinese. Forbes ("British Burma," 63) tells us that the *let-pet* on this occasion is found by the bridegroom. "On the morning of the marriage day the bridegroom's party set out from his to the bride's house, carrying trays with the indispensable 'let-pet' or pickled tea (the accompaniment of every Burmese ceremony), betel, handkerchiefs, and all the presents intended for the bride, &c." The leaves employed in the manufacture of let-pet are not those of the true tea-tree of China, but of a shrub called *elæodendron persicum*. They are sometimes brought down from Upper Burmah in large baskets, being constantly kept wet by immersion in water. Flowers are almost as indispensable as let-pet, and in all ceremonial and religious observances play a prominent part. In Burmah as in other countries we see the effect of this regard for flowers and plants in the names given to the people. Thus *Pan*, "Flower" is a common surname, and a man may be addressed as Moung Shwé Pan or Mr. Golden Flower, and his wife or daughter as Mâ Shwé Pan, Mrs. or Miss Golden Flower. In the old native accounts of the origin of man we find the following references to plants. "After the burning of the former world ninety-nine Byammas descended, and some of them ate of the new sweet-tasted earth; ninety returned to the Brahma heavens, but nine could not return. These sustained themselves for a time by eating the savoury earth. When that had lost its delicious flavour they fed on the 'patala' (a sweet creeper): and when that became scarce, strife and anger arose among them. Afterwards the "thalay" rice appeared, of which they ate." (Forbes, 307).

A tree has been for some time now naturalised in England under the name of the Puzzle-monkey Tree, because it would puzzle a monkey to climb it. It seems that in Burmah the counterpart to this curious plant may be found in the shape of the Monkey-slipping tree (*Homatium tomentosum*) or "Myouk-Kyan bong" as the natives call it. This tree has been so designated on account of its smooth bark being covered with a white slippery pulverulent substance, not unlike French chalk, which comes off on the slightest touch. The tree grows to a height of 80 feet, with a straight stem, destitute of branches to a considerable height. This is almost the only tree upon which some kind parasite does not grow.

The seeds or beans of one peculiar kind of creeper are in great request among the Burmese people for one of their favourite games. This plant has immense pods which sometimes grow to the enormous length of five or six feet, and six inches broad. The seeds, when a game is to be played, are fixed in the ground in a line, and another is then spun at them. By a peculiar twist in throwing a curvilinear course is given to the seed thus thrown, by means of which a skilful player will often knock down the whole line in one spin. He who knocks down the highest number of seeds in a given number of throws wins the game. I must not omit to mention the "Paday-tha-bin" of the Burmese, a fabulous tree, supposed to bear whatever is wished for. Representations of this tree are made at certain festivals and hung with miscellaneous offerings for the phoongyees or priests, reminding one of a huge christmas tree fashioned with flexible strips of bamboo for the branches. "Sometimes a 'silver tree,' as it is called, is made by hundreds of small bamboo strips springing from the central stem, each having hung from the end a rupee enclosed in paper tinsel of different colours, shaking and glittering at every movement. Often 500 to 700 rupees (£50 to £70) hang on one of these trees. All this is an offering for the phoongyees." I had intended here to treat of Burmese Buddhistic plant-lore, but must reserve the matter for another paper. It will be sufficient to remark that we find the priests and their services constantly associated with different kinds of plants and flowers. Thus during the Buddhist Lent, when offerings of flowers and rice are made by the people, one part of the worship consists in the following act. The oldest monk leads a kind of litany in praise of Gaudama or Buddha, the congregation meanwhile joining in with a choral chant, all squatting on their knees with their hands joined, and holding between them a real or artificial flower. Thus the gods would seem to be as much delighted with flowers as weaker mortals. This we shall find is strongly held by most Eastern worshippers.

HILDERIC FRIEND.

SUPREME COURT.

24th March.

SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE MR. JUSTICE SNOWDEN.

ABOUT 30 CREDITORS V. CHEONG YIK, TAM MÔ, AND NG KUNG.

One of the creditors applied that the defendants should be adjudicated bankrupts. Mr. Mosson represented the petitioning creditor.

Twelve of the plaintiffs were represented by Messrs. Stephens and Holmes, who suggested that the matter should be adjourned pending the result of the petition. They agreed to suspend action in the matter if the other plaintiffs would do the same.

The other plaintiffs agreed to this course, and the cases were adjourned pending the result of the petition for the adjudication of the defendants as bankrupts.

POLICE COURT.

24th March.

BEFORE MR. H. E. WODEHOUSE.

A DRUNKEN MARINE.

John Henry Simmonson, marine on board H.M.S. *Victor Emanuel*, was charged with disorderly conduct in an eating house in Queen's-road kept by one Cheung Woo, on the 23rd inst.

The defendant and the others went into the house and had something to eat. Defendant's two companions paid what was due from them, but he refused to pay, and ran after the boys of the house. He was under the influence of drink.

The defendant was fined $1, or in default two days, 35 cents amends to go to the complainant.

AN OLD OBSTRUCTIONIST.

Chan Afuk, shopkeeper, No. 112, Bonham Strand, was charged with obstructing the foot passengers in that street by leaving 53 baskets of fruit upon the footway on the 22nd March.

P.C. 139 gave evidence as to the obstruction. He said the whole street at the back of the Harbour Master's Office was blocked with baskets of fruit, and vegetables that jinrickshas could not pass, and a considerable disturbance was caused in consequence. When he told the defendant to remove the things, the latter told him to mind his own business, and that no one, not even the Governor himself could make him move his goods. He had been convicted of obstruction on three previous occasions.

The defendant said he had permission to sell things outside the market from 6 a.m. to 10 a.m. and from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., and it was impossible for him to put all his goods in his shop. Hawkers came and bought them at once.

The defendant was fined $25.

ROGUE AND VAGABOND.

Wong Shui, farmer, was sentenced to 14 days' imprisonment as a rogue and vagabond, he having been found at large in the streets with no light or pass in the small hours of yesterday morning.

The defendant had been before the court the previous day when he represented he had been brought here for the purposes of emigration, and 50 cents were given him to take him to his native place.

ATTEMPT TO CORRUPT A CONSTABLE.

Wong Leung, hawker, was sentenced to 14 days' imprisonment as a rogue and vagabond, he having been caught gambling in Sutherland street by P.C. 268, with a number of other men and having afterwards attempted to bribe the constable with 40 cents.

BEFORE DR. F. STEWART.

THEFT OF A JACKET.

Lo Ahui, fishmonger, was charged with having stolen a silk jacket, value $2.50, the property of Lok Achu, servant, on the 20th inst.

The complainant lives at Yow Mah Tai and had the jacket in question hanging on a bamboo out of one of the windows of his house. The defendant was seen by a neighbour to take the jacket from the bamboo, and put it up his sleeve.

The defendant was sentenced to two months' imprisonment.

THEFT FROM THE PERSON.

Chun Ayow, paper maker, was charged with having been concerned with two others in stealing $7.80 from the person of Ng Azui, seaman, on the 20th instant.

On Monday forenoon the complainant was walking in Queen's-road Central with a bag over his shoulder, containing his money and a key. The defendant came behind him and put the bag, and having abstracted the money, he handed it over to one of his confederates as the complainant turned to seize him. The complainant held the defendant till a constable came up. As the defendant was being taken to the Station, he was seen to put a packet into an earth barrow and on the packet being opened, it was found to contain three pieces of silver.

The defendant was sentenced to six months' imprisonment with the first and last fortnights in solitary confinement, and 6 hours in the stocks at the scene of the offence.

THE CHARGE OF DEFRAUDING TRADESMEN.

The lad Antly Spencer was brought before the court on Friday, and yesterday on two charges of defrauding tradesmen by means of forged letters.

Mr. Caldwell, of Messrs. Brereton and Wotton, defended.

Mr. C. Thevenin was called, and stated that on the 7th inst. a jinrickisha coolie came to his store and gave him a note purporting to be signed by Mr. A. B. Tomkins, a gentleman to whom he had sold a pair of boots a fortnight before. Being suspicious, he sent several pairs of boots in a parcel and sent his coolie with them with the chit book, and with instructions not to leave the parcel unless the book was signed by Mr. Tomkins. The parcel was brought back and the book was unsigned.

Lin Aki, coolie to the last witness, gave evidence as to going with the jinrickisha coolie with the parcel. The man took him to the Praya, near Peddar's Wharf they met the prisoner, from the coolie pointed out as the man who had sent him with the note. The prisoner gave the coolie some money and sent him away, and then took witness with him up to Pottinger-street, and then a roundabout course till they came back to the Roman Catholic Cathedral. The prisoner there wanted to sign the chit book, but witness would not let him unless he took him to his house. The prisoner then went into the Cathedral bidding the coolie wait, but he did not appear again, and after waiting a long time, witness went back to his master.

The case of attempting to defraud Mrs. Rose was also further investigated.

Mrs. Rose said that on the 2nd inst., an outside coolie came to her store with a note purporting to be signed by Mr. R. F. Smith, and the coolie informed her that this was "newspaper Smith," and believing the things were for Mrs. Fraser-Smith, she sent six silk umbrellas. The next day another note was brought similarly signed, and under the same belief she gave three pairs of boots to the coolie, and debited them in her books with the umbrellas to Mr. Fraser-Smith.

In answer to Mr. Caldwell, Mrs. Rose said that the mis-spelling of the note ought to have attracted her attention, but she was so busy at the time that she only glanced at the note.

Chan Akam, assistant in a pawnshop at 19, Queen's-road West, gave evidence to the prisoner pawning three silk umbrellas, 1 tael 7 mace and 6 candareens were advanced upon them. He gave the name of O-li, living in Hollywood-road.

Pun Nam, assistant in a pawnshop at 28, East-street, also gave evidence to the prisoner pawning an umbrella in his shop on the 2nd inst. for 8 mace.

Acting P.S. John Morrison said he met the prisoner in Queen's-road on the 2nd inst. with about half a dozen umbrellas in his hand, and asked him where he had got them, to which the prisoner replied that he had bought them at an auction, and was going to try to sell them at a profit.

The case was further adjourned to the 28th inst.

The two jinrickshas coolies who were also charged with similar offences at various dates in February were brought again before the court, but their cases were remanded to the 28th inst., bail being allowed.

AMOY.

H.M.S. *Foxhound*, Commander McQuhae, R.N., arrived here on the 20th March from Foochow.

A bowling match was played at the Club on Saturday evening, the 18th March, between an English and German team, resulting in a victory for the representatives of the British nation. A great feat was achieved by Mr. George Brown who scored three hundred in one game, and two hundred and seventy seven in the following game, twenty one doubles being scored in succession. This, we believe, is the highest average ever attained in Amoy.—*Amoy Gazette.*

SHANGHAI.

A private letter has been received from Li Ching-fang, son of the Viceroy of Chihli, saying that His Excellency's mother has not only perfectly recovered from her late illness but is better than she has ever been for the last ten years. We may mention also, with respect to the charges brought against Li Han-chang, the Viceroy of the Liang Hu, whose guest Li Ching-fang now is, that, so far from Tso Tsung-t'ang being his accuser, he has undertaken the investigation of the matter at the express request of the Viceroy of Chihli, who feels sure that Tso will act as becomes a man of honour in so serious and delicate an affair.

A correspondent writes to us as follows:—I have read with attention the letter in your paper about the seizure of 4,000 taels worth of merchandise, by the Haikuan Taotai at Tientsin, and I am surprised to learn that the case has been favourably concluded, because if the regulations of import and export signed at Shanghai on 24th November, 1858, are still in force, no transit pass could be granted from Peking to Tientsin by Article 8 of the Regulations. But if the regulations have become obsolete, I am astonished that the French Minister should forbid French subjects the privilege of making purchases at Peking, above all when two Swiss cases are granted these facilities, together with the Danish house which you mention. Our correspondent's argument is simple. If Article VIII. is still in force, it is impossible that confiscation made under it could be annulled; and if it has been allowed to fall into disuetude, it is clear that the confiscation should never have been made.

The results of the trial of Metropolitan scrutiny have been received by telegraph at the *Shên-Pao* office, and were published in the *Shên Pao* of the 16th March.

We content ourselves with the following particulars, as being of special interest. The Pao of Kung is praised as being the pivot of the state, and devoted heart and soul to the charge of his responsibilities; Pao Chün, Hung-tsao, Ching Lien, and Wang Wên-shao are commended for the harmony which characterises their counsels, and their combined exertions for the public welfare; Li Hung-chang receives great credit for the purity of his motives, the candour and straightforwardness of all his public acts, the skilfulness of his diplomacy, and the unwearied nature of his cares; Tso Tsung-t'ang is said to have enjoyed the reputation due to his great qualities from a very early period of his career, and is highly commended for his indefatigable discharge of unusually onerous duties that have fallen to his lot, never having requested leave to retire in spite of his advanced age and infirmities; while the virtues of P'êng Yü-lin, Director-General of the Yang-tsze Kiang, are set forth in very similar terms. The last-named three great officers are to receive high honours, the Board of Civil Office being commanded to consider what form the rewards shall take. Wang Ch'in-li, on the other hand, has had the misfortune to be memorialised against several times, so that his fair fame is not quite so bright as it might otherwise have been; and Tung Hsün is really so old that he cannot be expected to serve the state to the advantage any longer. These two officers are therefore permitted to retire.—*Daily News.*

TIENTSIN.

9th March.

The steamer *Fung Shun* will be towed to Taku, and, if possible, will be docked there. The dock is roomy enough to accommodate her, but it may be that the gates are blocked by mud. It is proposed to make the temporary repairs sufficient to enable a voyage to Shanghai to be made in safety. The rudders may be found when the water becomes warm enough to allow divers to search the river-bed. Trade is hardly open yet, and so far the demand for imports is very small.

A review of the Tientsin garrison was held this morning. Four or five thousand soldiers took part, well-armed and fine men, whose discipline, thanks to Major Schnoll, is remarkably good. The review was an imposing sight.

The Peiho is not in a good condition for navigation. The bends are shoaling, the wreck of the *Emily* has done mischief by forming a bank, and owing to the dry autumn and winter the waters are low and the currents are not strong enough either to keep the river-bed clear by scour, or to prevent deposits of silt and mud. It is to be hoped that the Viceroy Li, who knows the value of the Peiho in a strategic point of view, will order dredging work to be done, to deepen the river bed in some places and to straighten the channel in others. It is said that His Excellency will be here to-morrow or next day.

Two or three days ago the Haikuan Taotai made a seizure of silk embroideries, enamels, etc., brought by a foreigner from Peking. The value of the confiscated goods is said to be about Tls. 4,000. It is said, but I repeat the rumour with all reserve, that the foreign owner of the goods had not provided himself with a transit pass, neither had he paid *lekin* dues. If he had had a transit pass he would escape *lekin* tolls; and conversely if he had no transit pass he incurred the liability to local taxation just as if he had been a Chinaman pure and simple. The incident is worthy of notice, as it confirms the current reports to the effect that the Chinese authorities are likely to make a firm stand against unauthorised, and, therefore, unlawful, Peking foreign trading, the nature and ends of which have been much debated in your columns. The mere fact of seizure is not unsatisfactory in a sense, because if British, French, German and other Treaty-power traders are debarred from entering Peking there was no good reason why a Danish firm should be allowed to have a fat trade all to itself.

It is reported that the Chinese authorities have decided to bring the foreign transit passes within legitimate limits, and probably we will soon hear of many more seizures. If the goods seized prove to be really and truly of foreign ownership, and in strict conformity with Treaty rights, they will—when the truth is ascertained—be released; but if proof of foreign ownership is not to be had, or if on the reverse side the proof of Chinese ownership is manifest, then the goods will be confiscated. A most unfair, illegitimate, and noxious traffic will thus be broken up, to the great joy of all honest traders. It is not a light thing that foreigners should be willing to falsely assume ownership in return for a paltry fee.

11th March.

The confiscation of silks, enamels, etc., from Peking has been brought to a creditable and satisfactory conclusion. The owner, who is a respectable resident of Hongkong, proved that his personal papers were in order, and gave valid explanations, on which the Taotai ordered the goods to be released on payment of inland taxes only. It is evident that a sharp look-out is being kept, and foreigners who make purchases in Peking will in future do well to obtain all required documents before the goods are despatched for Tientsin. Probably the first seizure of goods protected by a transit pass will not have so good an ending for the real owners. Every one is glad to see that the Chinese authorities are now more vigilant than before. If they would take some careful notes about the taxing stations, and come to some understanding by which an official will know what to charge, an owner of goods will know what to pay, and if, further, all taxes could be commuted by one inclusive payment which should be recognised and final, much good would be done. The foreign Customs service could arrange a simple system of collection; that would be immensely beneficial to both tax-gatherers and tax-payers. It is a pity the Government does not accept the assistance that would be cordially given.—*N. C.

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ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 4th May, 1881. [768

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Hongkong, 26th July, 1879. [15

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DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., Agents for Phœnix Fire Office.

Hongkong, 5th August, 1881. [19

THE SOUTH BRITISH FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW ZEALAND.

CAPITAL, £1,000,000 (One Million Sterling).

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Hongkong, 1st July, 1881. [20

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MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, 9th May, 1881. [806

NOTICE.

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AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon, and Penang.

A. G. STOKES, Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 20th May, 1881. [609

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RATES OF FIRST-CLASS GODOWNS REDUCED TO ½ PER CENT. NETT PER ANNUM FROM THIS DATE.

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Hongkong, 9th May, 1881. [2

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The Undersigned, having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

SIEMSSEN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 16th November, 1872. [16

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DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, 11th May, 1881. [18

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY AT HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned, AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to GRANT INSURANCES to the extent of $65,000, on first-class risks at current rates.

MELCHERS & Co.

Hongkong, 27th March, 1878. [18

SUN FIRE OFFICE.

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LINSTEAD & DAVIS, Agents, Sun Fire Office.

Hongkong, 12th May, 1881. [17

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Discount 20 %.

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Hongkong, 1st March, 1878. [1440

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Hongkong, 1st January, 1882. [21

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NOTICE.

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J. BRADLEE SMITH, Secretary.

Hongkong, 6th April, 1881. [604

NOTICE.

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NORTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 20th May, 1881. [3

INSURANCES.

NOTICE.

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Hongkong, 4th September, 1879.

RECORD of AMERICAN and FOREIGN SHIPPING.

Agents, ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

Hongkong, 4th September, 1879. [1457

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HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

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Hongkong, 14th March, 1881. [511

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GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.

Hongkong, 1st January, 1882. [252

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FIRE AND LIFE.

INSURANCES against FIRE granted at Current Rates. Considerable Reduction in Premia for LIFE INSURANCE in China.

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Hongkong, 3rd June, 1879. [923

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RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 1st January, 1874. [1

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

ESTABLISHED 1824.

CAPITAL OF THE COMPANY, £1,000,000 Sterling.
OF WHICH IS PAID-UP ... £100,000 Sterling.
RESERVE FUND UPWARDS OF ..... £120,000 Sterling.
ANNUAL INCOME ..... £250,000 Sterling.

The Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at HONGKONG, CANTON, FOOCHOW, SHANGHAI, and HANKOW, and are prepared to grant Insurances at Current Rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, 15th October, 1878. [14

FIRE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION, LIMITED LONDON.

The Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS to the above Company at this Port and Canton, are prepared to GRANT POLICIES against FIRE to the extent of $20,000 on Buildings or on Goods stored therein.

Discount 20 %.

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Hongkong, 10th September, 1880. [1495

LONDON & STAFFORDSHIRE FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

HITHERTO CALLED THE STAFFORDSHIRE FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL ..... TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

The Undersigned are prepared to ISSUE POLICIES covering FIRE RISKS at current rates.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 27th August, 1880. [405

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY (LIMITED).

CAPITAL TAELS 600,000; EQUAL TO $833,333.33.
RESERVE FUND ..... $70,858.27.

DIRECTORS.

LEE SING, of the Lai Hing Firm.
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Head Office, 8 and 9, Praya West.

Hongkong, 14th October, 1878. [1441

LA GRANDE COMPAGNIE D'ASSURANCES MARITIMES. (CERCLE TRANSPORTS REUNIES) PARIS.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED ..... 50,000,000 Francs.
CAPITAL PAID-UP ..... 12,500,000 Francs.

The Undersigned, having been appointed Agents of the above Company, are prepared to GRANT POLICIES on MARINE RISKS to all parts of the World.

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

Hongkong, 1st January, 1882. [1586

YANGTSZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.

CAPITAL (Fully Paid-up) ..... Tls. 420,000.00
PERMANENT RESERVE ... Tls. 250,000.00
SPECIAL RESERVE FUND Tls. 288,936.17
TOTAL CAPITAL and ACCUMULATIONS, 2nd April, 1881 ..... Tls. 938,936.17

DIRECTORS.

F. B. FORBES, Esq., Chairman.
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Messrs. BARING BROTHERS & Co., Bankers.

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RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 11th May, 1880. [2

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	CAPTAIN	AT	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON	Endymion	T. Richardson	Hongkong	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Quick despatch.
LONDON, via SUEZ CANAL	Priam (str.)	Butler		Butterfield & Swire	On or about 4th April.
MARSEILLES, viâ SUEZ &c.	Yangtse (str.)	Lormier		Messageries Maritimes	On 27th inst., at Noon.
HAMBURG	Bodild	Hacke	Hongkong	Carlowitz & Co.	Quick despatch.
TRIESTE, &c.	Vorwaerts (str.)	G. Marussig		Melchers & Co.	On 6th prox., at 4 P.M.
HAVRE AND LONDON	Lucia	C. Crawley	Hongkong	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Quick despatch.
BOMBAY via STRAITS	Geelong (str.)			P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 28th inst., at 3 P.M.
NEW YORK	Mary Whitridge	Freeman	Hongkong	Russell & Co.	Quick despatch.
NEW YORK	Nelly M. Slade	D. Gould	Hongkong	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Quick despatch.
SAN FRANCISCO, via Y'HAMA	Gaelic (str.)			O. & O. S.S. Co.	On 29th inst., at 3 P.M.
SAN FRANCISCO	Oneida	Carver	Hongkong	Russell & Co.	Quick despatch.
PORTLAND (OREGON)	Edwin Reed	Gilmour	Hongkong	Russell & Co.	Quick despatch.
PORTLAND, (O.) and S. Frisco	Glenelg (str.)	Nicholson		Hing Kee & Co.	Quick despatch.
VICTORIA, VANCOUVER'S IS.	Escambia (str.)	Purvis		Russell & Co.	On or about 25th inst.
VICTORIA, VANCOUVER'S IS.	Sumatra	Rock	Hongkong	Russell & Co.	Quick despatch.
SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, &c.	Ocean (str.)	Brown	Hongkong	Geo. R. Stevens & Co.	On 28th inst., at 4 P.M.
YOKOHAMA, via KOBE, &c.	Niigata-Maru (str.)	Wynn		Mitsu Bishi Mail S.S. Co.	On 31st inst., at 4 P.M.
YOKOHAMA	Menzaleh (str.)	Homery		Messageries Maritimes	Quick despatch.
BANGKOK	Dale (str.)	P. H. Loff	Hongkong	Yuen Fat Hong	On 27th inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	Saghalien (str.)	Rolland		Messageries Maritimes	Quick despatch.
SHANGHAI	Yangtsze (str.)	Lee	Hongkong	Siemssen & Co.	To-day, at 4 P.M.
MANILA, via AMOY	Diamante (str.)	Cullen	Hongkong	Russell & Co.	To-day, at 4 P.M.
AMOY, T'SUI & TAIWANFOO	Albay (str.)	Lightwood		Douglas Lapraik & Co.	On 27th inst., at 4 P.M.
SWATOW	China	Scholer	Hongkong	Kwok Acheong & Sons	To-morrow, at 3 P.M.

INTIMATIONS.

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Pure Highland Malt, Thoroughly matured. "As a Stimulant," Says the *Medical Review*, "It is preferable to Brandy." Bottled under the special supervision of H.M. Inland Revenue, in full-sized bottles, 6 to the gallon.

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NOTE.—This Firm is the oldest established of the kind in Hongkong, and has no connection with any other of similar hong name.

SUN SHING.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1881. [756

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SEA-DRIFT—4 tons, Coppered and Copper Fastened, all Hard Wood with Teak Deck. A new boat and very fast sailer, suitable for picnic or shooting excursions.

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Hongkong, 14th March, 1882. [507

THE Undersigned have been appointed Sole Agents for the Sale of their Goods in Hongkong and China by Messrs. J. & R. TENNENT, Glasgow, and Messrs. DAVID CORSAR & SONS, Arbroath.

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

Hongkong, January, 1867. [27

FOR SALE.

IMPROVED HOWE SCALES, Assorted Sizes.

Apply to FUNG TANG, Hoo Cheong Ching, No. 39, Wing Lok Street.

Hongkong, 8th March, 1882. [464

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned have been appointed SOLE AGENTS for the Sale of their Goods by Messrs. KYNOCH & Co., of WITTON, near BIRMINGHAM.

MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, 15th August, 1881. [1355

C. L. THEVENIN. COMMISSION AGENT, WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANT. CHAMPAGNE, BURGUNDIES, COGNACS, SHERRIES, WHISKY, &c., &c. FRENCH BOOTS AND SHOES FOR LADIES AND GENTLEMEN. PERFUMERY, &c. HONGKONG HOTEL BUILDING.

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PUSTAU & Co. Sole Agents, German Waterwork Company.

Hongkong, 14th February, 1882. [336

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HAVING been appointed AGENT in HONGKONG and SOUTH CHINA for the *Japan Gazette*, "Japan Gazette Summary," and "Hong List," Orders for Subscriptions and Advertisements will be received at this Office.

Hongkong Daily Press Office, Hongkong, 23rd May, 1877.

FOR SALE.

THE Undersigned has FOR SALE the following Goods, just received:—

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INDIAN CASHMERE SHAWLS.
SMOKING CAPS.
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CASHMERE CLOTH, assorted for LADIES DRESSES.

ALL AT MODERATE PRICES.

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Hongkong, 30th January, 1882. [249

FOR SALE.

MESSRS. W. & T. LOCKETT'S Celebrated Brands Threlfalls Export PALE ALE and Findlater's *** DUBLIN STOUT in Pints and Quarts.

Fine OLD PORT, in cases of one dozen.

Also, Sillery Mousseaux VIN DE CHAMPAGNE in cases of 2 doz. Pints and 1 doz. Quarts.

GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.

Hongkong, 1st January, 1882. [271

FOR SALE.

CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s WELL-KNOWN BRANDY (* ** *** ****). WHISKY (FINEST HIGHLAND MALT). SHERRIES and PORT. CLARETS and CHAMPAGNE. PRICE LIST ON APPLICATION.

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Hongkong, 26th March, 1881. [25

NOTICE.

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VESSELS ON THE BERTH.

FOR MANILA, VIA AMOY.

THE Steamship "DIAMANTE," Captain Cullen, will be despatched for the above Port, TO-DAY, the 25th inst., at 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, 23rd March, 1882. [566

FOR AMOY, TAMSUI AND TAIWANFOO.

THE Steamship "ALBAY," Captain Lightwood, will be despatched for the above Ports on MONDAY, the 27th inst., at FOUR P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, 24th March, 1882. [567

FOR BANGKOK.

THE Steamship "DALE," Captain P. H. Loff, will be despatched for the above Port on MONDAY, the 27th instant, at FOUR P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to YUEN FAT HONG, Agents.

Hongkong, 24th March, 1882. [568

STEAM TO BOMBAY, VIA STRAITS.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship "GEELONG," will leave for the above place at THREE P.M., on TUESDAY, the 28th instant.

A. McIVER, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 21st March, 1882. [552

AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, AND TRIESTE.

(Taking Cargo at through rates to CALCUTTA, PERSIAN GULF PORTS, ODESSA, and the MEDITERRANEAN PORTS).

THE Company's Steamship "VORWAERTS," Captain G. Marussig, will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 6th proximo, at FOUR P.M.

For further Particulars, apply to MELCHERS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd March, 1882. [563

FOR VICTORIA, VANCOUVER'S ISLAND.

THE 100 A 1 British Steamship "ESCAMBIA," Captain Purvis, will be despatched for the above Port, on or about the 25th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, 3rd March, 1882. [429

FOR PORTLAND (OREGON) AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE British Steamer "GLENELG," Captain Nicholson, will load here for the above Ports, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight or Passage, apply to HING KEE & Co.

Hongkong, 6th March, 1882. [449

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

THE Company's Steamship "SAGHALIEN," Commandant Rolland, will be despatched for SHANGHAI shortly after her arrival from Europe.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, 20th March, 1882.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

THE Company's Steamship "MENZALEH," Commandant Homery, will be despatched for YOKOHAMA shortly after the arrival of the next French Mail from Europe.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, 20th March, 1882

FOR LONDON DIRECT.

THE A 1 British Iron Bark "ENDYMION," Captain T. Richardson, will load for the above Port and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

Hongkong, 24th March, 1882. [569

FOR VICTORIA, VANCOUVER'S ISLAND.

THE American Ship "SUMATRA," Rock, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, 13th February, 1882. [331

FOR PORTLAND, OREGON.

THE 3/3 L. I. I. American Bark "EDWIN REED," Gilmour, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, 20th February, 1882. [357

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE 3/3 L. I. I. American Ship "ONEIDA," Carver, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, 13th February, 1882. [330

FOR HAVRE AND LONDON.

THE A. 1, British barque "LUCIA," C. Crawley, Master, will load for the above Ports, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

Hongkong, 25th February, 1882. [332

VESSELS ON THE BERTH.

FOR NEW YORK.

THE American Ship "MARY WHITRIDGE," Freeman, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, 16th February, 1882. [347

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/3 L. I. I. American Barquantine "NELLY M. SLADE," D. Gould, Master, will load for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

Hongkong, 10th March, 1882. [474

FOR HAMBURG DIRECT.

THE 3/3 L. I. I. German Bark "BODILD," Hacke, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to CARLOWITZ & Co.

Hongkong, 16th February, 1882. [344

NETHERLANDS-INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

ON and after the 1st Proximo, the Company's Steamers will run monthly between Amoy, Hongkong, and Batavia direct, taking Cargo at through rates for Java Ports.

The Steamers will not for the present call at Macao, Manila, or Macassar.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 1st March, 1882. [416

NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR DEBTS.

Neither the CAPTAINS, the AGENTS, nor the OWNERS, will be RESPONSIBLE for any DEBT contracted by the Officers or the Crews of the following Vessels during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

AMOY, Brit. str., Herrmann.—Siemssen & Co.
CHATTANOOGA, American bark, Howes.—Douglas Lapraik & Co.
CHINA, German steamer, H. Schoer.—Kwok Acheong & Sons.
DALE, British steamer, P. H. Loff.—Chinese.
FRANCISCA, German barque, S. A. M. Buck—Siemssen & Co.
GLENELG, British steamer, S. Nicholson.—Gilman & Co.
GLAMIS CASTLE, Brit. str., Tod.—Adamson, Bell & Co.
GRACE DERRING, American bark, C. Salnage.—Adamson, Bell & Co.
HOTSPUR, British bark, H. Jack.—Captain.
H. PRINTZENBERG, German bark, A. Schonemann.—Melchers & Co.
J. A. BORLONA, American bark, J. H. Kent.—Douglas Lapraik & Co.
KANG-CHI, Chinese steamer, Marsden.—C. M. S. N. Co.
KILLARNEY, British steamer, O'neil.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.
LAURA, German bark, P. von Ehren.—Ed. Schellhass & Co.
LUCIA, British bark Brawley.—Arnhold Karberg & Co.
MARY FATHAN, British steamer, John Gorley.—Rozario & Co.
MALVINA, Ger. bark, H. Kluge.—Wieler & Co.
PING ON, British steamer, McCaslin.—Russell & Co.
PALADIN, British steamer, P. Aubin.—Chinese.
R. T. GLATTON, American brig, Thomas.—Order.
RODERICK HAY, British bark, P. H. Nicolson.—Turner & Co.
SUMATRA, American ship, Chas. Rock.—Order.
TARTAR, German bark, H. Bunje.—Wieler & Co.
VELOCITY, Brit. bark, W. R. Martin.—Chinese.
WALES CASTLE, British bark, H. A. Brown.—Lane, Crawford & Co.

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Sole Agents for Hongkong and China, ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

Hongkong, 19th November, 1881. [1891

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ROWLANDS' KALYDOR eradicates freckles, and all cutaneous eruptions, and produces a beautiful and delicate complexion. Ask any dealer in perfumery for Rowlands' articles, of 20, Hatton Garden, London. [393

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Hongkong, 1st July, 1881. [1133

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

A. MILLAR & CO., PLUMBERS, GASFITTERS, &c., &c., have REMOVED their Office and Ware-room to No. 6, "BEACONSFIELD ARCADE," where Orders for Fittings and Repairs will be punctually attended to. [31

VESSELS ON THE BERTH.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILIA, PORT SAID, SYRIAN PORTS, NAPLES, MARSEILLES, AND PORTS OF BRAZIL AND LA PLATA; ALSO, PONDICHERRY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, AND ALL INDIAN PORTS.

ON MONDAY, the 27th day of March, 1882, at Noon, the Company's Steamship "YANGTSE," Commandant Lormier, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles; and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted until Noon of 26th March, 1882.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M., Specie and Parcels until 3 P.M., on the 26th of March, 1882. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.) Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, 21st March, 1882.

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE; VIA THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

THE Steamship "GAELIC" will be despatched for San Francisco, *viâ* Yokohama, on WEDNESDAY, 29th March, at THREE P.M.

Connection being made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan Ports.

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day previous to sailing.

A REDUCTION of 25 % made on all RETURN PASSAGE ORDERS issued.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland, Mexican, Central, and South American Cargo, should be sent to the Company's Offices, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 50A, Queen's Road Central.

CHAS. H. HASWELL, JUN., Agent.

Hongkong 13th March, 1882.

MITSU BISHI MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, VIA KOBE AND INLAND SEA.

THE "NIIGATA MARU," Captain WYNN, due here on or about the 27th instant, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 31st March, at 4 P.M.

Cargo received on board and Parcels at the Office up to ONE P.M., of the day of Sailing.

No Bill of Lading signed under $2 Freight.

All Claims for Damage must be settled on board before delivery is taken, otherwise they will not be recognized.

RATES OF PASSAGE.

To KOBE	Cabin $60. Steerage $15.
To YOKOHAMA and NAGASAKI	Cabin $75. Steerage $30.
SHANGHAI, viâ YOKOHAMA	Cabin $120. Steerage $40.
SHANGHAI, viâ KOBE, Cabin $95. Steerage $30.	

A REDUCTION is made on RETURN CABIN PASSAGES.

Cargo and Passengers for Nagasaki will be transhipped to the Shanghai Mail Steamer at Kobe.

For further Particulars, apply at the Company's Offices, Praya Central, Ground Floor Messrs. Russell & Co.

H. J. H. TRIPP, Agent.

Hongkong, 22nd March, 1882.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MALTA, GIBRALTAR, BRINDISI, ANCONA, VENICE, PLYMOUTH, AND LONDON; ALSO BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, AND AUSTRALIA.

N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF PORTS, MARSEILLES, TRIESTE, HAMBURG, NEW YORK, AND BOSTON.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship "DECCAN," Captain J. B. Chapman, with Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for LONDON via BOMBAY and SUEZ CANAL on TUESDAY, 4th April, at 4 P.M.

Cargo will be received on board and Parcels and Specie (Gold) at the Office until TEN A.M. on the day of sailing.

Silk and Valuables for Europe will be transhipped at Point de Galle; Tea and General Cargo for London will be conveyed viâ Bombay without transhipment, arriving one week later than by the ordinary direct route viâ Galle.

For further particulars regarding FREIGHT and PASSAGE apply to the PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Office, Hongkong.

The Contents and Value of Packages are required to be declared prior to shipment.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bill of Lading.

A. McIVER, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 24th March, 1882.

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EXTRACTS.

THE DAISIES.

I plucked the snow-white petals one by one,
That round the daisy's heart of gold fast clung.
First "rich man," then "poorman," "beggerman,"
and "churl,"
"Doctor" and "lawyer," "merchant," and then
"earl."
And for each name I plucked a petal out,
And as the last one fell I raised a shout.
For, oh! the golden-hearted daisy said,
And low I laughed in light and girlish glee,
That rich would be the man whom I would wed;
But how the daisies knew seemed strange to me,
Yet I believed in all the daisies said,
And none would I but one with riches wed.
But like a dream the years rolled swiftly by,
And never a rich man to my door drew nigh.
At last I married a poor, honest man,
And happy was I with no shine of gold;
But off as summer's fresh, bright bloom began
I thought again of what the daisy told.
Oh, daisy white, with heart of yellow gold,
Why did't thou not to me the truth unfold?
The daisies fair look up with calm, bright eye,
And seem to whisper, "Wait till by-and-bye."
The years rolled by; the daisies bloomed and died,
And he I wedded poor now rich has grown,
Again I tread that old hill's grassy side,
And all at once the years have backward flown,
I see myself a young girl, bright and gay,
Listening to what the golden daisies say.
But tell the daises false, or tell they true?
I'll leave that question, bright-eyed maid, with you.

E. S. L.

A TYPICAL TORY.

A Yorkshire farmer tells the following story of the recent North Riding election. An agricultural voter, after having recorded his vote, or spoilt his paper, in blatant voice declared, "He'm a blew—Ha' olloa vote blew." On being asked if he knew what constitutes "a blue," he replied, "Noa, Ha naw nowt abaut it." Asked why he was a blue, he replied, "Me grandfather wor a blew, me father before me wor a blew, and Ha'm a blew." He will die blue.

THE BRIGADIER.

By Ivan Tourguenieff.

CHAPTER I.

Do you know, reader, those little manor-houses which abounded twenty-five or thirty years ago in the Ukraine of Great Russia? Few remain at this day, and perhaps—as they were built of wood—before ten years the last will have disappeared without leaving a trace. One observed at first a pool of running water bordered by reeds and dwarf willows, where paraded broods of duck, with whom at times was associated a shy teal; beyond the pool, a garden, planted with lindens (the pride of our region of dark earth,) and cut into long borders, where bell-flowers, vetches and stray ears of rye and oat mingled with the strawberries; then a thicket of red and black currants, and raspberries, in the midst of which, at hour of the dumb heat of noon, one was sure to see pass, the striped kerchief of a maidservant, singing at the top of her voice. Further off, a scanty kitchen-garden—where a swarm of sparrows covered the stakes, while a cat crouched on a ruined wall—surrounded a little green-house raised—as our fairy tales say—on chickens' claws; farther off still, a meadow of tall grass, green below, gray at the point, thickset with pear-trees, apple-trees with bushy heads and cherry-trees with slender arms. Near the house reached a flower-garden full of poppies, peonies and the flowers we call "Aniouta's eyes" and "maid in green." An incessant humming of bees and hornets, joyful and dense, was heard in the tufted, gluey branches of the wild jasmine, yellow acacia, and lilac. At last one reached the house. One story in height, raised on a layer of brickwork, with greenish glass in its narrow windows which projected from a plank roof, formerly painted red, it displayed a doorstep surrounded by a worm-eaten balustrade, under which in a hole lived a dumb old watch-dog. Beyond the house the vast courtyard extended, covered with nettles, dock and wormwood, with the work-buildings, such as the cellar, the kitchen and the barns, whose thatched roofs, burrowed by mice, where the dwelling places of pigeons and crows. And last rolled into view the highway, with streaks of soft dust in its deep ruts; the cultivated grounds, the long torn hedgerows which surrounded the hemp fields, the poor scattered *izbas* of village and the immense meadows inundated in spring-time, from which rose the clamour of thousands of geese. Do you know all that, reader? Within, all is askew and shaky; still it holds together and keeps warm. There are elephantine chimneys, and incongruous pieces of furniture made with the household tools. Narrow whitish paths worn by feet wind over the piled and varnished floor-boards. The ante-chamber is full of little cases inclosing larks and green-finches; an immense English clock, high as a tower and bearing the mysterious inscription "strike and silence," stands in the dining-room. Ancestral portraits with an expression of severe dulness, or perhaps a frayed picture representing either flowers and fruit, or some mythological subject offering nudities under blown draperies, are the ornaments of the walls of the room. Everywhere is the odor of *kvass*, of apple, of rye bread, of leather; swarms of flies hum and buzz in striking the ceiling, while active moths play with their feelers behind the worn gilt frames of a mirror. All the same, one can live there, and well.

CHAPTER II.

Such a cottage I happened to visit thirty years ago; an old story, as you see. The little domain in which it was found belonged to one of my university comrades. He had inherited it quite recently from a bachelor uncle, and did not live in it himself. At a short distance, however, extended some large marshes, where, during the passage of Summer, abounded—great snipe. My comrade and I, passionate sportsmen, had appointed a meeting at this for St. Peter's day, the opening of the season. He had to come from Moscow, I from my village. My comrade was detained and did not come till several days later. I did not wish to begin a shooting without him. I had been received by an old servant named Narkiz, who had been warned of my arrival. This old servant did not all resemble Caleb or Savelitch (in the "Captain's Daughter," or Pushkin,) but deserved more the nickname of *Marquis*, which my friend jocularly gave him. He had a bearing full of assurance, almost of dignity, and manners refined in their slowness. He looked with pity on us young fellows, and evinced little respect for the chas of gentlemen; he spoke of his old master with disdainful negligence, and as to his fellow-servants, he despised them profoundly "for their ignorance"—that was his expression. In fact, he could read and write, expressed himself with clearness and precision, drank no brandy, and rarely went to church, which caused him to be held a heretic. He was tall and spare, had a long and regular face, nose sharp, and eyebrows thick and always in motion. He wore a long and very neat overcoat, and high boots pointed in form of a heart.

CHAPTER III.

The day of my arrivel, Narkiz, after having gravely served my breakfast, stopped in the deorway, considered me, moved his thick eyebrows, and said at last:

"Well, sir, what are you going to do now?"

"I don't know. If Nicholas Petrovitch had kept his promise, we should have gone out shooting."

"Hum! then you hoped, sir, that he would keep his promise faithfully?"

"Certainly; I counted on it."

"Hum!"

Narkiz regarded me anew fixedly, and shook his head with an air of compassion.

"If you feel inclined to amuse yourself by reading, we still have some of the old master's books. Only, as far as I can suppose, you will not read them."

"Why?"

"They are good-for-nothing books; they are not written for gentlemen of the present day."

"You have read them?"

"If I had not read them, I would not speak of them. A book of dreams, for instance—what sort of a book is that? There are others, truly; but you would not read them, either."

"Because?"

"They are books of divinity."

I remained silent, and Narkiz also. A sort of inward sneer moved his lips.

"What is above all disagreeable," resumed I, "is to remain in the house in such fine weather."

"Walk in the garden, go in the wood; we have a birch wood here. Or would you rather fish?"

"Yes, in the pool; perch, tench, gudgeon. True, the season is over; we are near July. Still one might try. Shall a line be prepared for you?"

"Do me the pleasure."

"I will send you a young boy, to thread the worms on the hook—or must I come with you myself?"

It was evident Narkiz doubted my ability to go through the affair alone.

"Yes, certainly, come, come," said I to him.

He gave a broad smile, in silence, knit his brows, and left the room.

CHAPTER IV.

Half an hour afterwards, we set out fishing. Narkiz had wrapped himself up in I know not what long-eared cap, which rendered him still more majestic. He marched in front with a solemn and measured tread; two lines swung in cadence from his shoulder. A little boy with naked feet, and with eyes fixed respectfully on the back of Narkiz, followed him, bearing a pot full of worms and a watering-can to hold the fish.

"Here, near the dyke," explained Narkiz to me, "a floating bank has been prepared for greater convenience. Eh! oh! our idlers are already there! Look! it has become a regular habit."

I raised my head, an on this same bank perceived two men, seated with their backs to us, fishing tranquilly.

"Who are they?" asked I.

"Neighbours," answered Narkiz, impatiently, "They have nothing to eat at home, and so they honour us with their visit."

"They are permitted to fish here?"

"The old master permitted them; I don't know whether Nicholas Petrovitch— The taller of the two is a sub-deacon out of engagement; a worthless man; the stouter is a brigadier."

"How! a brigadier?" exclaimed I.

The garments of this brigadier were almost more pitiable than those of the sub-deacon.

"It is as I have the honour to tell you. He possessed a very good property; and now it is by favour he gets a corner in an *isba*, and he lives on what God sends him. But what are we to do? They have taken the places. We must disturb these amiable visitors."

"No, Narkiz, leave them alone; do not disturb them, we will take another place. I wish to make the brigadier's acquaintance."

"As you please; but as to making acquaintance, you must not hope, sir, to get much pleasure from it. He has become very weak of comprehension, and as stupid in conversation as a little child. In fact he is near his eightieth year."

"What's his name?"

"Vassili Fomitch; family name, Pousskof."

"And the sub-deacon?"

"The sub-deacon? He is called Cucumber—everybody calls him so and as to his true name, God alone can know. A good-for-nothing, I tell you—a regular vagabond."

"They live together?"

"No; but the devil, as they say, has joined them by a cord."

CHAPTER V.

We approached the bank. The brigadier raised his eyes to us for an instant, and immediately returned them to his float. Cucumber leaped from his place, pulled his line with one hand, and with the other drew off his greasy cap. After having passed his trembling fingers over his rough, yellow hair, he made us a profound bow, giving out a little constrained laugh. The puffiness of his face betokened a regular drunkard, and his little eyes winked with a timid humility. He gave his neighbour a nudge, as if to remind him that it was time to be off. The brigadier began to fidget in his seat.

"Stay, I beg you," cried I, "you are not in our way. We will take this place. Stay."

Cucumber pulled up the flap of his worn overcoat, shrugged his shoulders, and shook his beard. Our presence visibly troubled him. He would have preferred to go away. But the brigadier was reabsorbed in the contemplation of his float. The ex-sub-deacon coughed in his hand, drew his naked foot under him, covered his knees with his cap, and modestly replaced his line in the water.

"Do they rise?" gravely asked Narkiz.

"We have caught five little tench," answered Cucumber, in a hoarse and broken voice, "and his Grace has taken a large perch."

"Yes, a perch," repeated the brigadier, in a shrill voice.

CHAPTER VI.

I set myself to consider attentively, not himself, but his image reflected in the water. It was presented to me as in a mirror, more sombre, and at the same time more silvery. The vast surface of the pool breathed coolness to us, which came also from the humid earth on the bank, all cracked, and, as it were, ploughed by the melting of the snow. This coolness was the more agreeable, that above, over the summits of the bushy trees, one felt hanging in the gilded azure of the sky the burden of a motionless heat. The water round the bank did not stir; in the shadow cast on it from the bushes on its margin, shone, like steel buttons, water spiders describing their incessant rounds. Slight ripples played round the floats when the fish dallied with the bait; they did not bite. In the space of an entire hour we took only two gudgeon.

I do not know why the brigadier so excited my curiosity. His rank could have no influence on me, and in those times a ruined gentleman was no rare thing. His exterior, also, had nothing remarkable. Under a padded cap, which entirely covered his head from neck to eyebrows, was seen a round and red visage, with small nose, small lips and small eyes of clear gray. Simplicity, feebleness of spirit, and I know not what ancient sorrow, surviving without consolation and without relief, were expressed by this meek and almost childish visage. His hands, white and plump, with short, stout fingers, also indicated an irremediable awkwardness. I could not imagine how this poor, little, old, man could ever have been a warrior, have commanded others, and that, during the age of the great Catherine.

From time to time he swelled his cheeks and puffed as do little children; then he seemed to make efforts to see what was before him, as do decrepit old men. Once only he opened wide his eyes, which seemed to me larger than I had thought them at first. Their gaze was directed toward me from the bottom of the water, and his gaze appeared to me strangely touching and significant at the same time.—*To be continued.*

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Quicksilver, American, per picul	$58.00 to 58.10
Steel, English, per tub	$3.85 to 3.95
Steel, Swedish, per tub	$4.35 to 4.45
Sheathing Metal, per picul	$21.00 to 25.70
Spelter, per picul	$7.15 to 7.20
Tin, Malacca, per picul	$33.20 to 4.00
Tin, Plates, per box	$5.35 to 5.40

PRODUCE.

Almonds, per picul	$18.50 to 19.50
Alum, 1st quality, per picul	$2.45 to 2.55
Alum, 2nd quality, per picul	$1.75 to 1.85
Bark, Cinnamon, per picul	$0.83 to 1.10
Bark, Cinnamon, per picul	$15.20 to 15.30
Bark, Mandarin, per picul	$35.00 to 38.00
Beche-de-Mer, per picul	$11.50 to 12.00
Bees Wax, Japan, White, per picul	$1.50 to 12.00
Bees Wax, Hankow, Yellow, per picul	$14.00 to 16.00
Bees Wax, White, per picul	$78.50 to 88.00
Birds' Nests, 1st quality, per picul	$1,050 to 2,550
Birds' Nests, 2nd quality, per picul	$650 to 800
Birds' Nests, 3rd quality, per picul	$75.00 to 210
Brimstone, per picul	$2.55 to 2.65
Buffalo Hides, Manila	$12.00 to 15.50
Buffalo Cow Hides	$7.90 to 8.00

PRODUCE.

Camphor, packed, per picul	$18.50 to 20.50
Camphor, Barous, clean, per picul	$3,500 to 3,800
Camphor, Refuse, per picul	$1,800 to 1,850
Cardamoms, Superior	$125 to 185
Cardamoms, Inferior, per picul	$20.00 to 26.50
Cloves, per picul	$35.00 to 36.50
Coals, Atlant, per ton	— to —
Coals, English steam, per ton	$10.25 to 10.00
Coals, Sydney, per ton	$9.25 to —
Coffee, per picul	$22.20 to 24.50
Copper, Sheathing, Japan, per picul	$20.70 to 21.00
Copper, Rod, Japan, per picul	$23.70 to 24.00
Copper, Nails, per picul	$23.50 to 23.80
Cotton, Bombay, per picul	$15.30 to 15.80
Cotton, Calcutta, per picul	$17.30 to 17.80
Cotton, Ningpo, per picul	$18.20 to 18.60
Cotton, Shanghai, per picul	$16.80 to 17.50
Cotton, Shantung, per picul	$16.20 to 16.80
Cotton, Tientsin, per picul	$17.00 to 17.80
Cotton, Tungchow, per picul	$17.10 to 17.50
Cotton Seeds, Saigon	$4.20 to 4.30
Cotton Seeds, Siam	$4.10 to 4.20
Cuttlefish, Japan	$22.50 to 23.00
Cuttlefish, Japan, without bones, p. pl.	$15.50 to 16.50
Cuttlefish, Chinchow, per picul	$26.00 to 27.50
Dates, Black, per picul	Tls. 4.4.5 to 4.5.5
Dates, Red, per picul	Tls. 3.1.5 to 3.2.5
Dried Lily Flowers	$7.85 to 8.15
Elephant's Teeth, 4 to 5 pieces	$250 to 300
Elephant's Teeth, 7 to 8 pieces	$200 to 220
Flour, California, per sack of 50 lbs.	$1.48 to 1.54
Flour, American, per barrel of 100 lbs.	$3.10 to 3.25
Flour, American, per barrel of 200 lbs.	$6.20 to 6.35
Fungus	$32.50 to 40.00
Flints, per picul	$0.50 to 0.65
Ginseng, American, 1st quality, p. picul	$260 to 285
Ginseng, American, 2nd quality, p. picul	$130 to 210
Grass, Ordinary, per picul	Tls. 17.0.0 to 18.0.0
Hawa, Sangpior, per picul	Tls. 29.5.0 to 31.0.0
Hemp, Hankow, per picul	$10.50 to 12.00
Hemp, Siam, per picul	$10.00 to 11.00
Isinglass, Japan, per picul	$36.00 to 45.00
Melon Seeds, 1st quality, per picul	$4.00 to 5.30
Melon Seeds, 2nd quality, per picul	$4.50 to 4.70
Mushrooms, per picul	$38.00 to 46.50
Mussels, Dry Siam large, per picul	$8.05 to 9.10
Mussels, Dry Siam middle, per picul	$7.25 to 7.45
Mussels, Dry Siam small, per picul	$6.15 to 6.35
Pea Oil, per picul	Tls. 5.0.0 to 5.1.5
Peas, White, per picul	$2.05 to 2.10
Peas, Green, per picul	$1.98 to 2.08
Peas, Black, per picul	$1.80 to 1.91
Peas, Yellow, per picul	$2.03 to 2.12
Peas, Green Boiled, per picul	$1.80 to 1.90
Pearl Barley, per picul	$6.50 to 7.50
Potatoes Flour, per picul	Tls. 1.0.0 to 1.0.5
Patchouck, per picul	$13.00 to 14.70
Rhinoceros Horn, per picul	$2,900 to 3,000
Rhinoceros Horn, Mother, per picul	$2,000 to 2,400
Rice, Siam, No. 1, per picul	$1.24 to 1.31
Rice, Siam, No. 2, per picul	$1.83 to 1.85
Rice, Siam, milled No. 1, per picul	$1.78 to 1.78
Rice, Siam, milled No. 2, per picul	$1.75 to 1.72
Rice, Saigon, No. 1, per picul	$1.84 to 1.85
Rice, Saigon, Hemp bags	$1.75 to 1.77
Rice, Saigon, Straw bags	$1.68 to 1.71
Rice, Japan	$2.10 to 2.70
Saltpetre, per picul	$5.05 to 6.25
Seaweed, Green, per picul	$2.75 to 2.85
Seaweed, Cut, per picul	$3.05 to 3.15
Sesamum, White, per picul	$3.85 to 3.95
Sesamum, Black, per picul	Tls. 2.4.5 to 2.5.5
Sharkefins, per picul	$35.00 to 60.00
Shellfish, Japan, per picul	$27.00 to 29.00
Shellfish, California, per picul	$11.50 to 12.50
Stockfish, per picul	$5.00 to 6.50
Straits Produce, &c.—	
Betel Nut, per picul	$4.75 to 4.85
Pepper, White, per picul	$19.40 to 19.70
Pepper, Black, per picul	$13.50 to 13.90
Rattan, Sheaths, per picul	$5.50 to 5.5
Rattans, Bongar, per picul	$1.35 to 1.65
Sandal Wood, Malabar, per picul	$4.80 to 4.85
Sandal Wood, South Sea, per picul	$21.50 to 22.55
Sapan Wood, Manila, per picul	$1.45 to 1.65
Sapan Wood, Siam, per picul	$2.25 to 2.35
Sugar, Shek-lung, White, No. 1, p. pcl.	$7.00 to 7.10
Sugar, Shek-lung, White, No. 2, p. pcl.	$6.35 to 6.35
Sugar, Shek-lung, Brown, per picul	$3.00 to 3.10
Sugar Candy, Shek-lung, per picul	$9.20 to 9.25
Sugar Candy, Foochow, per picul	$9.75 to 9.80
Sugar Candy, Swatow, White, per picul	$8.75 to 7.85
Vermicelli, Tientsin, per picul	$7.50 to 7.70
Walnuts, per picul	$5.25 to 5.30
Wheat, Tientsin, per picul	$2.15 to 2.18
Wheat, Japan, per picul	$2.15 to 2.13
Wood Oil, per picul	Tls. 6.2.0 to 6.2.5
Window Glass, per box	$3.55 to 3.65

SHIPPING IN THE CHINA WATERS.

HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.

VESSELS.	DATE OF ARRIVAL	CAPTAIN.	FLAG AND RIG.	TONS.	CONSIGNEES.	DESTINATION.
Albay	Mar. 24	Lightwood	Brit. str	363	Douglas Lapraik & Co	
Arabia	Mar. 20	W. G. Pearne	Brit. str	4366	O. & O. S. S. Co	
Baikal	Mar. 20	Shirokoff	Rus. str	713	Captain	
China	Mar. 24	Schoer	Ger. str	642	Kwok Acheong & Sons	
Cebu	Nov. 29	Edgar	Amr. str	373	Captain	
Conquest	Sept. 28	Hamlin	Brit. str	315	Shun Hang Hong	
Diamante	Mar. 16	R. F. Cullen	Brit. str	514	Russell & Co	Amoy
Dale	Mar. 12	P. H. Loff	Brit. str	644	Yuen Fat Hon	Bangkok
Euphrates	Mar. 20	Mitchell	Brit. str	1299	Russell & Co	
Escambia	Mar. 8	Purvis	Brit. str	1401	Russell & Co	Victoria, V.I.
Flours Castle	Mar. 21	Thompson	Brit. str	1540	Adamson, Bell & Co	Shanghai
Fyen	Mar. 14	Grove	Dan. str	909	Butterfield & Swire	
Freya	Feb. 15	Homeyer	Ger. str	52	Blackhead & Co	
Geelong	Mar. 22	Webber	Brit. str	1137	P. & O. S. N. Co	Singapore
Gaelic	Mar. 21	Hallett	Brit. str	1712	O. & O. S. S. Co.	Yokohama
Glenelg	Mar. 4	Nicholson	Brit. str	900	Gilman & Co	Portland, Or.
Glenis Castle	Mar. 21	Tod	Brit. str	1558	Adamson, Bell & Co	
Hongkong	Mar. 20	Fryer	Brit. str	959	Siemssen & Co	
Hoihow	Mar. 13	T. Shaw	Brit. str	895	Butterfield & Swire	
Ichang	—	J. Ogston	Brit. str	700	Butterfield & Swire	Canton
Joloano	Dec. 19	J. Marquez	Span. str	654	R. Monsonte	
Killarney	Mar. 23	O'Neil	Brit. str	1060	Gibb, Livingston & Co	
Kiang Ping	—		Chi. str	—	C. M. S. N. Co	
Kiang-chow	Oct. 10	Goggin	Brit. str	159	Chinese	
Kin-Kiang	—	T. Benning	Brit. str	1061	H.C. & M. Steamboat Co	Canton
Lido	Mar. 21	Lewis	Brit. str	620	Arnhold, Karberg & Co	Swatow
Ly Tay	July 7	L. T. Tuck	Ann. str	1046	Shun Wo Yuen	
Mei-foo	Mar. 21	Petersen	Chi. str	1224	Linstead & Davies	
Mary Tatham	Mar. 16	J. Gorley	Brit. str	1064	Rozario & Co	Nagasaki
Namoa	Jan. 14	Westoby	Brit. str	862	D. Lapraik & Co	Coast Ports
Olympia	Mar. 18	Warner	Ger. str	783	Siemssen & Co	Saigon
Ocean	Mar. 23	R. R. Brown	Brit. str	1030	Geo. Stevens & Co.	Singapore
Paladin	Mar. 24	Aubin	Brit. str	896	Tung Kee	
Pernambuco	Mar. 24	Evans